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Search resumes for long-missing child

Six-year-old boy, Etan Patz, went missing in SoHo in 1979 FBI opened the 33-year-old cold case with a renewed search of a Prince Street building

NYPD

The FBI, along with New York City police, began a renewed search Thursday in the decades-old case of Etan Patz.

Patz, 6, went missing in 1979 on his two-block walk to the school bus stop.

The New York Times reported that officers with jackhammers and pickaxes arrived at a Prince Street apartment building on Thursday morning.

Patz lived at 113 Prince St., about a block away from where the agents were investigating.

Officials said they launched the search after receiving a tip.

"We are here conducting a search in connection with the ongoing FBI investigation into the disappearance of Etan Patz," FBI spokesman Peter Donald said.

NYPD spokesman Paul Browne said human remains specialists were on the scene Thursday, as well.

Authorities previously identified a suspect, Jose Ramos, who knew the boy's babysitter. But Ramos denied abducting or killing him.

Patz was the first face of a missing child to appear on a milk carton. He was formally declared dead in 2001. His disappearance helped spark a national movement on the issue of missing children. May 25 was declared "National Missing Child Day" in his honor.

Manhattan District Attorney Cy Vance reopened the case in 2010; it was something he promised to do when he first ran for office.

ALISON BOWEN
with Reuters

Kyra says:

"I vividly remember Etan was the first kid on the milk bottles and I vividly remember feeling distraught when he went missing. I remember you would see flyers everywhere and then five or six years later you'd see police sketches, showing how he would look as he got older. It's just so tragic to think that he disappeared just two blocks away from where he lived."

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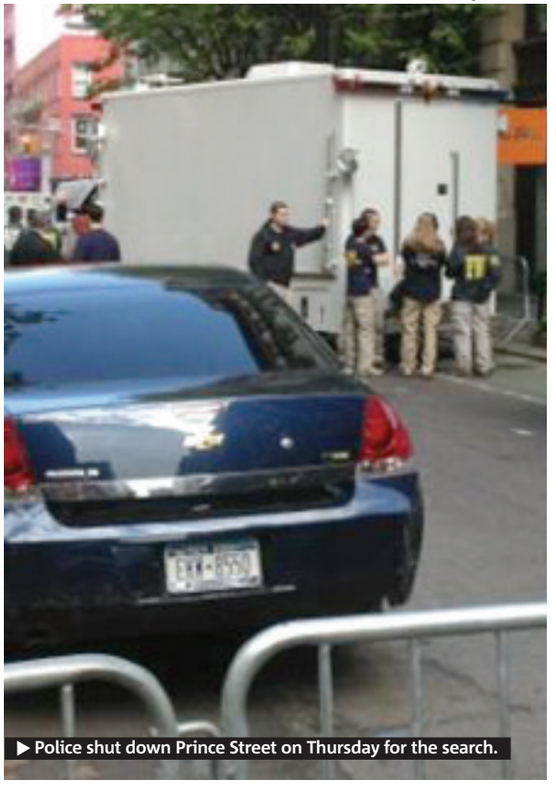
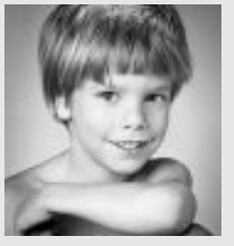


▶ Police shut down Prince Street on Thursday for the search.

No one ever charged

NEW YORK. No one was ever criminally charged in Patz's disappearance but in 2004 his family won a $2 million civil judgment against Jose Antonio Ramos, a friend of Patz's babysitter, who has denied any involvement in Patz's disappearance. The sum has not been paid, and Ramos is serving a prison sentence in Pennsylvania for child molestation. His sentence will expire in November, a state Department of Corrections spokeswoman said. **REUTERS**

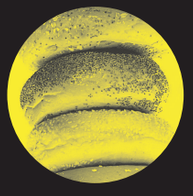


In the news

Cop shoots himself in head

A cop was reportedly clinging to life Thursday afternoon after he shot himself in the head Wednesday night. According to the New York Daily News, the officer shot himself while inside his Bronx apartment. Neighbors told the Daily News that the cop was "always smiling and happy" and "seemed like a nice guy." Four NYPD officers have killed themselves this year. **METRO/AB**

In the news



Bagel battle

A Queens bagel company is battling Dunkin' Donuts, trying to push them not to use the word "artisan" while advertising their bagels. Davidovich Bakery says the bagels Dunkin' produces can't even come close to the "real" artisan breads Davidovich makes. The company filed a motion with the Federal Trade Commission and the state attorney general's office. **METRO/AB**

Bloomie knows 'breast' for city's new mothers

NEW YORK. This gives new definition to the term "nanny state." Mayor Michael Bloomberg is now encouraging city hospitals to help new moms learn how to breastfeed.

The Health Department is pushing for dozens of city hospitals to urge moms to breastfeed, according to the New York Post.

The city wants hospitals to apply for federal funding in a program that will help teach more mothers how to breastfeed, as opposed to using formula.

Many health experts say breastfeeding can have a healthy impact on infants.

Whether to choose formula or to breastfeed can be a very personal decision, however, and pushing mothers toward either alone can be controversial, expert say. **METRO/AB**

22 Infants who are breastfed for at least six months have a 22 percent reduction in risk for childhood obesity, according to the city health department.

Hundreds of vinyls celebrated

MANHATTAN. This weekend J&R Music World will host "Independent Record Store Day," featuring a collection of vinyls and 45s. The downtown store will also host live performances and will have more than 200 titles, including David Bowie, Bruce Springsteen, Paul McCartney and Metallica. **METRO**

Plane makes emergency landing after bird strike

JFK. A plane landed safely at JFK on Thursday afternoon after a bird flew into one of its engines.

CNN contributor Ali Velshi was aboard, and said the cabin filled with smoke. The Delta flight took off at around 3:20 p.m., and landed 20 minutes later. Grant Cardone, an author, also was on the flight and said seagulls hit the engines.

The Los Angeles-bound flight abruptly turned around and was met by emergency workers, Velshi said.

"This is proof yet again that birds and airplanes don't mix," veteran pilot Ken Paskar said. Paskar is also president of Friends of LaGuardia Airport, a group working to stop a garbage transfer station being built near the airport. The group says the facility will attract birds. **METRO/AB**

35 According to a 2009 NPR analysis, at JFK planes hit wildlife more than 35 times for every 100,000 flight operations during a nine-year period.

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City amps up park smoking tickets

Officers ticketed more than 100 smokers so far this year Stepping up enforcement compared to 2011

When New York first introduced its ban on smoking in parks and beaches last year, many dismissed the law as lacking teeth, and predicted it would rarely be enforced.

But, it turns out, the Parks Department has begun quietly increasing enforcement of the ban, and has already given out more tickets to those caught smoking in city parks so far this year than it did in all of 2011.

From Memorial Day weekend of 2011, when the city first implemented the ban, to Dec. 31 of last year, the Parks Department gave out 84 summonses. So far this year, parks enforcement patrol officers have given out 108 summonses, according to Parks Department data.

"We feel that, in general, the rules are making for a more healthful and pleasant park experience."
ADRIAN BENEPE, PARKS COMMISSIONER

Parks Commissioner Adrian Benepe said that most New Yorkers comply with the rule.

"Summonses are issued as a last resort," he said.

Benepe said it's also mostly tourists who are caught lighting up.

"On a few occasions, I have asked people to put out their cigarettes. On all those occasions, the smokers turned out to be visitors to New York City, unfamiliar with the rules, and they were immediately compliant and apologetic," said Benepe.

The City Council's decision to outlaw smoking in parks, beaches and pedestrian plazas came after Mayor Michael Bloomberg banned smoking in restaurants and bars. Earlier this week he introduced a bill that would require building owners to make clear their smoking policies.

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Smoke in a city park and you're at risk of getting a $50 ticket.

Tickets on the rise

84
Summonses from Memorial Day to Dec. 31, 2011

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Summonses so far, 2012

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Kyra says:

- The French tourists must think we're so uncivilized, not letting anybody smoke anywhere!
- But I could see why (Bloomberg) would want to beautify New York and not having secondhand cigarette smoke in your face is part of that. Also, we have so much asthma here already.
- I admire Bloomberg because he doesn't really care what people think about him. I feel like he takes on the issues of New York in a very personal way. And I don't think he cares whether or not people like him. I see him as having a lot of integrity and following what he thinks are the important issues.
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Only gay US PTA confronts bullying

Gay, lesbian US figures should be taught in class, group says Walt Whitman, Harvey Milk examples

Parents on Long Island who are starting the nation's only gay PTA say they want to confront gay bullying and ease isolation by including gay historic figures in classroom lessons.

When it received its charter on Thursday, Long Island Gay PTA will become the only parent-teacher association in the country to focus on the needs of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students and their families, said the National Parent Teacher Association.

"GLBT youth issues were never something that PTAs were interested in tackling," David Kilmnick, a founding member of the gay PTA.

"So many parents have come to us over the years and felt that they really didn't have a voice in their school's PTA," he added.

He said the gay PTA wants to help schools better understand how to support students who are being bullied because of their sexual orientation.

It also hopes to ensure the curriculum includes the historic contributions of gay men and women in an effort to ease the sense of isolation felt by students struggling with their identity, Kilmnick said.

Prominent gay figures from Long Island include the 19th century poet Walt Whitman, considered the father of free verse, and slain politician Harvey Milk, who became the first openly gay man to win public office in California when he was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1977.

The Long Island Gay PTA will be open to everyone, Kilmnick said.

Laurie Scheinman, a PTA organizer who has a teenage daughter who is gay, said she hoped students and teachers from a wide range of schools across Long Island would become involved. **REUTERS**

▶ Poet Walt Whitman hailed from Long Island.

Kyra says:

▶ Kids are cruel. When I was growing up in New York I was ganged up on all the time. But now it's so much more in the zeitgeist (to stop bullying). My daughter said, "Oh my god, now the teachers are on bullying so fast."

Record books. Food

▶ Staff at The Nature Conservancy, which is hosting "Picnic for the Planet" at the New York Botanical Garden, gets ready with a spring picnic earlier this week.

ERIKA NORTEMANN/TNC

Come one, come all to world's biggest picnic

This Sunday, the New York Botanical Garden is attempting to host the world's largest picnic. Seriously. They've contacted the Guinness Book of World Records about this one, folks. The Botanical Garden, located in the Bronx, is inviting all New Yorkers to join them for a massive picnic on Daffodil Hill in the garden. Guests can bring their own lunch or purchase a picnic lunch there. To get to the garden, take Metro-North to the Botanical Garden station. There will be simultaneous picnics going on across the world that same day. METRO/CB

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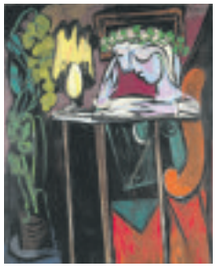

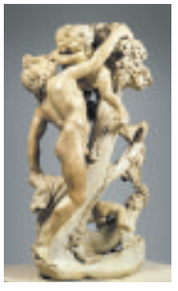

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Hooker scandal started 'after US agent offered escort just $30 for sex'

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▶ Hotel Caribe where the Secret Service members were alleged to have invited prostitutes to their rooms.

The woman at the center of a sex scandal that has rocked the U.S. Secret Service said yesterday it was caused by an agent offering her just $30 for sex when they had previously agreed $800.

The woman, who says she is an escort not a prostitute, was 1 of 20 women taken back to the hotel of around 12 secret and service personnel in Cartagena, Colombia. They were there preparing for a visit to the country by President Barack Obama.

The woman said she was picked up at a stripclub — the Pley Club — by American agents, who bought bottles of vodka.

She told The New York Times that the men were 'very discreet,' never telling her they were working on behalf of Obama.

The man she alleges slept with her agreed on a price of $800, but changed his mind the following morning and said he had been drunk. He offered her $30.

A furious row started and police were summoned, leading to the American agents being recalled.

Yesterday, one was fired, one retired and a junior employee resigned. Others face lie detector tests as an inquiry, demanded by Obama, is ongoing. **METRO**

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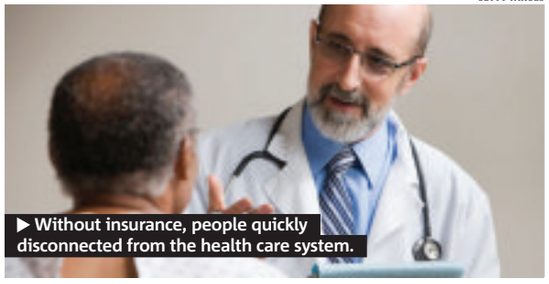

▶ Without insurance, people quickly disconnected from the health care system.

Quarter have no health insurance in US, study says

As the U.S. Supreme Court ponders the fate of health care reform in the current election year, a study released Thursday shows that 1 in 4 working-age Americans went without insurance at some point in 2011, often as a result of unemployment and other job changes.

The study by the Commonwealth Fund polled 2,100 people aged 19 to 64 and found that 26 percent of nonelderly adults went without insurance — a percentage that researchers said equals about 48 million people when measured against U.S. census data.

The Commonwealth Fund, a nonprofit organization that analyzes health care issues, said that 7 in 10 of those who lost insurance spent a year or more without coverage, partly because plans sold on the individual market for health insurance were unaffordable.
REUTERS

Ted Nugent: I'll be quizzed by the Feds

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▶ Nugent

ARDMORE, OKLA. Ted Nugent said that the U.S. Secret Service has arranged to meet with him after the rock musician severely criticized President Barack Obama during the National Rifle Association convention last week.

Nugent, who told the gun rights group last week that he would be "dead or in jail" next year if Obama is re-elected in November, appeared on conservative radio host Glenn Beck's show on Wednesday.

He was asked if he had heard from the Secret Service.

"We actually have heard from the Secret Service, and they have a duty, and I salute them.
REUTERS

Oh, it's on: Candidates must brace for slugfest

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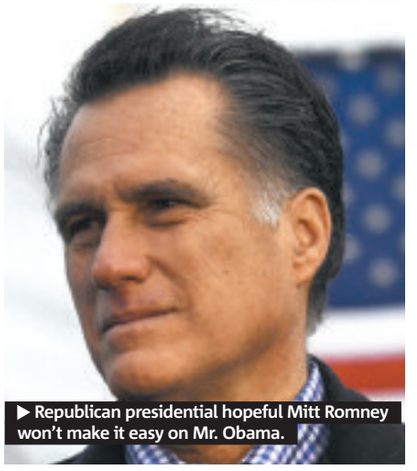
▶ President Barack Obama is running against the economy.



▶ Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney won't make it easy on Mr. Obama.

The 2012 presidential election is more than six months away, but here is what we know so far: It is going to be close, it is going to be nasty, and the outcome could turn on a series of unpredictable events.

Democratic President Barack Obama is a slight favorite now, but as tightening poll numbers suggest, his lead over Republican Mitt Romney is tenuous. A tepid economic recovery, voter pessimism about the future and a job approval rating largely stuck in the danger zone below 50 percent mean Obama could have a hard time matching his performance in 2008, when enthusiasm for his promise of change propelled him to victory over Republican Sen. John McCain with 53 percent of the vote.

Kyra says:

▶ We're really bifurcated and ... it's going to make for an ugly battle with a lot of money behind it, and that's going to contribute to low voter turnout. But it has to be about sustainability and that has to be something we can all get behind. Even ranchers in the heart of Texas and Bible Belt country are talking about how they can't sustain their farms. Even if we don't have kids ourselves, we see kids out there and we want them to have a decent world to live in.

Political analysts see a fall election fight that looks more like the nail-biters won by George W. Bush in 2000 and 2004 than Obama's relative blowout victory in 2008.

Complicating the outlook is looming uncertainty about the pace of the economic recovery, highlighted by a disappointing March jobs report and high gas prices, as well as economic instability in Europe and the potential for a foreign crisis just before the election.

"Iran could be a real wild card," said Steven Schier, a political scientist at Carleton College in Minnesota. "In many ways, neither campaign is really in charge of their own fate. A lot of things can go wrong for both. **REUTERS**

House votes to OK Keystone

WASHINGTON. The U.S. House of Representatives voted on Wednesday in favor of speeding up the Keystone XL oil pipeline from Canada for the fourth time in two years, but the Nebraska Republican who has championed the project knows the vote may not be the last.

A large group of House Democrats — 69 of 190 — backed the bill, giving Republicans new hope the Democratic-led Senate and Obama might be convinced to embrace the project. **REUTERS**

Kyra says:

▶ I'm depressed about the pipeline. This is [an oil] pipeline that will go through some of the most pristine land in America. Also, there are two schools of thought about how many jobs it will actually create: I've heard anywhere from a couple hundred to 20,000. And the chance of leaking is large.

Billionaires lost billions this week

NEW YORK. The 20 wealthiest people on Earth lost a combined $10.7 billion this week as Europe's debt turmoil and concerns over the pace of economic growth in China and the U.S. sent stocks lower worldwide.

Global markets dropped this week as the cost of insuring against a Spanish default reached a record high, U.S. consumer confidence weakened and China posted slower-than-forecast economic growth. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index fell by 2 percent, ending the week at 1,370.26. **BLOOMBERG**

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Kyra Sedgwick serves as Metro guest editor

Emmy award-winning actress Kyra Sedgwick filled in as Metro's guest editor on Thursday afternoon to help us put together our special Earth Day edition.

You probably recognize her as the star from "The Closer," but Sedgwick is now using her role as Metro's guest editor to warn our readers about the problems of pollution and overconsumption.

"If you collect all the plastic you use over the entire year, it would fill this entire room," said Sedgwick on Thursday. "And only 10 percent of what we think we are recycling is actually getting recycled. They're not breaking plastic bottles down again and remaking them into plastic bottles. Most plastic ends up in the ocean."

The increasing problem of plastic pollution and waste are two issues that are dear to Sedgwick's heart. She asks all Americans to eschew plastic water bottles and use stainless steel bottles, and to replace that cardboard coffee cup with a reuseable mug.

"I will go really thirsty before I buy a plastic bottle, because I know the pyramids will turn into dust before that bottle disintegrates," she said. "It's so easy to get a stainless steel water bottle."

"And think about how much money you're saving, too," she continued. "You pay $4 for each new plastic water bottle, when you could just buy one water bottle and fill it up at the tap. We need to try not to start the waste from the beginning."

Sedgwick is a native New Yorker and lives in the city with her husband, Kevin Bacon.

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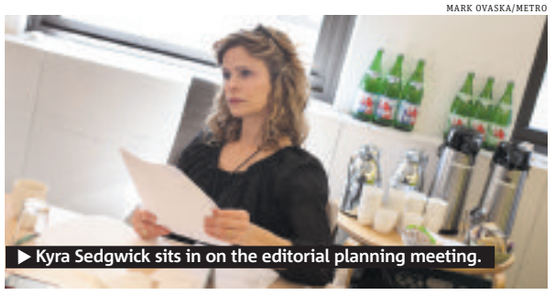

▶ Kyra Sedgwick sits in on the editorial planning meeting.

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▶ Plastic waste pollutes our environment around the world.

Don't be fooled: Plastic gets tossed

New Yorkers who religiously recycle plastic bottles might be surprised to know that they still could be contributing to trash floating in the world's oceans.

Plastic pollution is clogging oceans, and it not only pollutes water resources but also poisons animals and, possibly, humans that eat them, activists say.

"It's not a matter of a little bit of litter on the beach," said Leila Monroe, an attorney in the oceans program at the Natural Resources Defense Council. "It's massive garbage piles that are washing into the ocean."

Metro's guest editor, Kyra Sedgwick, is a passionate activist about plastics pollution.

"I know that the women I see in spinning class are responsible mothers who care about their children's future and the future of the planet, and yet they're buying these plastic bottles every day," Sedgwick said. "If those women really knew it wasn't getting recycled and made into plastic bottles I think they would be more mindful about it."

▶ Coral on a bottle

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Plastic accounts for 60 to 80 percent of marine litter, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council

Plastics are not always recycled right back into the same form.

"Only 10 percent of what we think we are recycling is actually getting recycled, and that 10 percent is only getting downgraded to something like a plastic ashtray," she said. "We don't want to stop people from recycling, but we do want them to stop buying these plastic bottles in the first place."

Many people assume that the trash is just floating in a giant clump in the ocean, but Leila said that is not exactly the case.

"One of the important things to know about the problem is that it's actually much more complex," Monroe said. "One of the questions people ask is, 'Why don't we just go clean it up?'"

Instead, she said, plastic in the water pollutes the oceans in many different places. It also flows into the beaches and injures and even kills marine animals, activists say.

Fish can also mistake the waste for food, and when fish consume floating plastic particles, they are eating compounds that have been linked to cancer, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Sedgwick and others are leading the call to clean up the oceans.

One suggestion is to involve plastic producers. For example, Monroe hopes that plastic producers will find a way to create plastic bottles that are more biodegradable.

Also, she believes that plastic producing companies should play a part in recycling — for example, setting aside funding for recycling programs or even organizing ways that their products can be recycled. Activists also hope that the United Nations will establish strict international guidelines for curbing plastic pollution.

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Trash travels: From city to the sea

It's not a stretch of the imagination to think that trash on New York City curbs could end up polluting the world's oceans, Monroe said.

"You see crazy amounts of trash in the street," she said. "It's sometimes collected in the storm drain, but it often makes its way into the ocean."

And New York is behind the curve on recycling plastics, said Eric Goldstein, a spokesperson at the Natural Resources Defense Council.

"There's a lot that should be happening," he said. "Let's put it that way."

Right now, the Sanitation Department only collects plastic bottles and jugs, not plastic items like yogurt containers or plastic cups.

"You almost need to have a Ph.D. in garbology to understand which plastics go into the recycling bin and which plastics are supposed to go out in the regular trash," Goldstein said.

And, he added, the city is missing out on savings, because it has to pay to discard all those extra plastics. "If New York had a more sophisticated program for collecting these plastics, they could ultimately reduce the cost of waste disposal … It is ultimately more expensive for New York to send these plastics to out-of-state landfills and incinerators."

And the five boroughs are certainly not exempt from seeing plastic trash in our own water.

"Plastic waste of all kinds are a significant component of local waterways," Goldstein said. "They wash up on the beaches, they end up in the marine environment, and they interfere with the pleasure of a summer day at the beach or on a boat." METRO

What you can do

- **Cut plastics out of your life.** Bring your own bag to the store and choose reusable items when you can.
- **Recycle.** If you do use plastic, recycle it, so it doesn't end up in a floating trash pile in the ocean.

Guest Editor

KYRA SEDGWICK

THE PLASTIC POLLUTION PROBLEM

When I became pregnant with my son, I found myself worrying about the state of the world I was bringing my child into. The more I learned about the threats facing our planet, the more committed I became to advancing solutions wherever I could.

At home, I bought green cleaning products and used cloth diapers instead of disposable plastic diapers. At work, I made 'The Closer' a model for the modern sustainable studio set, minimizing plastic use, and using recyclable water containers, compostable utensils, and biofuels whenever possible.

One of the things we all must rethink on a personal, local and global level is the disposable plastic water bottle. Plastic pollution kills and injures wildlife, and studies are now being done to learn whether it is poisoning fish, which is globally the most important source of protein for humans.

From floating plastic trash in the middle of the ocean, to tiny pieces of degraded plastic washing up on beaches, pollution is pervading our waters. This is not just an aesthetic problem — it's an environmental and economic one. Fish, turtles, sea birds and marine mammals are hurt or killed when they get tangled in plastic waste or mistake it for food. Coastal economies are forced to pay to clean up trash clogging storm drains and posing health risks.

Fortunately, we know how to make things better. The best way to address our global plastic problem is to stop it at the source. This means reducing the amount of disposable plastic we create, and making sure what plastic we do create is properly recycled. We can encourage the global public to embrace reusable bags, bottles and containers. We can support better public water supplies so people aren't forced to buy bottled water for something healthy to drink. We can require that manufactures make less plastic, and recycle. But this alone won't do.

I recently joined leaders and activists at the United Nations to prepare for the upcoming Rio+20 Earth Summit in Brazil. I joined the Natural Resources Defense Council in hosting an event to launch the Global Call to End Plastic Pollution, featuring U.N. officials and leading international experts in the field. We have a tremendous opportunity to mobilize world governments to commit to tackling their countries' contribution to the problem. If the world's leaders have the will, we know we can end plastic pollution within our lifetime, and pass on a better future for our children.

– Kyra Sedgwick is star of "The Closer" on TNT and guest editor for Metro on this Earth Day.

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Shop local

Kyra suggests buying local, to reduce the carbon footprint of, say, fruit flown to you from South America. Here are some farmer's markets to check out:

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'Cities, greener than suburbs'

'Fight Club' star Edward Norton has long been fighting for sustainability, especially the greening of cities He wants you to think eco-friendly — and can help your green cause with his site, Crowdrise

Talking to Edward Norton, you can't deny his passion for the planet. The man knows his stuff — and he should, since he serves as an ambassador for the United Nations' biodiversity program. He also cofounded Crowdrise, a social media-powered fundraising group for charities of all stripes.

You've done a lot to improve low-income housing. Is that an area where you can apply green initiatives and kill two birds with one stone?
Definitely. You can apply efficiency and sustainability standards to affordable housing, absolutely. And not only is it better for the environment, better for cities [and] better for the health of residents, but it actually proves to be very cost-efficient. Ultimately, the additional costs associated with doing things in a greener and sustainable way in affordable housing can usually get paid back by the savings from that efficiency within a couple of years.

Yet a lot of people still assume greener building practices are more expensive.
Sometimes environmental values get associated with some sort of an elitist choice or a choice that's only available to people of a certain income level, and that's just absolutely not true.

What are some areas where people would assume it's more expensive to be more green?
Certain technologies cost more upfront, but as you start to project the operational cost of things not only do those costs get paid back, but over a long-term stretch there's actual savings and cost-efficiency in making more sustainable choices in the way that we do things. Smart businesses and smart governments are realizing this themselves and pursuing those efficiencies.

We recently talked to the founder of Pirate Bay, who suggested that younger people find green issues outdated and are more interested in problems of free speech.
I don't actually agree with that. I think we're continuing to see a broader and broader penetration of awareness and concern about ecological sustainability, lost biodiversity [and] climate change. I think it's one of the few things that is pervasive for all societies. Free speech issues, you can argue, are more important in some places than others. Environmental sustainability is equally important everywhere. So I don't see these issues on the fade at all.

In our Earth Day section, we write about a system designed to turn human waste into energy. Would you use it?
I think we're going to have to move decisively in that direction. We're going to have to look at solid waste energy as well as turning waste water and sewage waste to energy. And even beyond energy, I think water is going to be one of the pressing issues of the 21st and 22nd centuries.

If you look at a place like Singapore, they've already moved completely to where they're not only reusing their municipal sewage stream for irrigation and things like that, but it also contributes to the drinking water supply. So there's going to be a lot of jokes about it, but there's just no doubt that we're going to have to get better at closing the loop in all ways in terms of reusing our waste stream at every level.

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▶ All joking aside, Norton reckons we'll be using human waste as an energy source.

What's this Crowdrise, anyway?

Crowdrise is Edward Norton's groundbreaking fundraising operation.

"It grew out of many years of having the experience of being involved in causes and realizing painfully that there were a lot of costs associated with fundraising," Norton says. "Sometimes you lose 40 percent of the money you had raised to the costs of producing the event or the dinner or whatever. The service we really want to bring first and foremost through Crowdrise was to give people a way, through these powerful online networking tools, to take ownership of these causes and have impact. But we also want to let the organizations achieve this kind of fundraising for costs that were fractional compared to traditional fundraising."

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Get involved

Want to do more this Earth Day? Check out these green causes from @crowdrise: www.crowdrise.com/EarthDay2012

Edward Norton

- **Age:** 42
- **Family:** His father was an environmental lawyer serving under President Carter.
- **Known for:** Critically acclaimed films "Primal Fear" and "American History X"
- **In the news:** Co-founded Crowdrise, a crowdsourcing charity website

Question

Can cities be eco-friendly?

"One of the ironies is the density of cities makes people think that they must be energy hogs," says Norton. "But the truth is that, on a per capita basis, cities are much more efficient places to live than the suburbs. New York on a per capita basis is probably a much greener city than the average suburb. Certainly more than a city like Phoenix where you've got incredible energy expenditure because of the sprawl and the way that the city's built — and the lack of mass transit."

Special section

Want more Earth Day? Read about how human waste is turned into power and take a quiz to find out how green you are. {pages 14-23}

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▶ Just get us some crackers for this cheese.

No one getting 'Lucky' here

We weren't asking a lot from the latest Nicholas Sparks adaptation But some things we can't excuse

'The Lucky One'
Director: Scott Hicks
Stars: Zac Efron, Taylor Schilling, Blythe Danner
Rating: PG-13
Grade: ❶❷③④⑤

"The Lucky One" is adapted from a Nicholas Sparks novel, and so it cannot and will not be judged by its plot, character development or any other traditional measure of a film's worth. Like "The Notebook" and "Dear John," its sole purpose and only responsibility is to make you fall in unconditional love with its noble hero — in this case, an ex-Marine (played by Zac Efron's sparkling eyes) who, when not mentoring children or taking care of dogs, is searching for a woman whose photo he found on the battlefield.

In order to do this, director Scott Hicks stocks the film with characters that are at best forgettable (the all-important constantly crying blonde, played by Taylor Schilling) and more frequently hilarious caricatures (crying blonde's abusive ex-husband and her sensitive son who can't catch a baseball). Of course, he still asks his audience to make some leaps of faith — such as accepting Efron as a Marine — but for this he can be forgiven in the name of love.

If nothing else though, we must hold "The Lucky One" accountable for its outdoor shower sex scene, for which the entire first hour of the film serves as bland, insufferable foreplay. Unfortunately, here's where it decides to take some cues from the real world: Complete with the most awkward, clumsy groping since prom, not even Efron's newly muscled shoulders can provide a moment of escapist peace as Schilling clearly eyes up a much more comfortable bed. You've faked sexier things in your own shower — and that's a problem we can't overlook.

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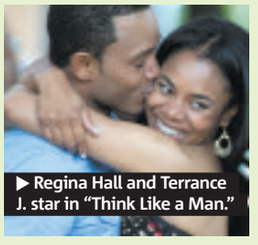
Review

Thinking like a man makes for some laughs

'Think Like a Man'
Director: Tim Story
Stars: Gabrielle Union, Taraji P. Henson, Jerry Ferrara, Kevin Hart
Rating: PG-13
Grade: ❶❷③④⑤

Steve Harvey doles out plenty of relationship tips in his book, "Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man." Though you might not trust dating advice from a comedian, you can be sure that the film based on his best-selling book will make you laugh.



▶ Regina Hall and Terrance J. star in "Think Like a Man."

"Think Like a Man" follows four friends who all have very different approaches to love and relationships. But according to the women in their lives, none of those approaches work. When the guys find out that the women they're involved with are using Harvey's book to mold them, they are determined to fight back.

The film features a great ensemble cast, a little bit of romance and plenty of laughs. ● **REGAN REID**

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▶ A polar bear crosses the ice in Svalbard, Norway. "To The Arctic," is in IMAX theaters Friday.

Just like "March of the Penguins," this documentary lets serious star power lead the way in the story of the various wildlife that call the frozen tundras home. Meryl Streep narrates "To the Arctic," as do researchers with firsthand experience of life in the frigid north. Paul McCartney wrote the film's songs.

The stunning landscapes and footage of polar bears and other inhabitants above and below icy water are perfectly suited for the IMAX experience. You'll find yourself "ooh"-ing, "ahh"-ing and certainly "aww"-ing, especially at the adorable polar bear cubs and the fierce loyalty that their mother feels towards them. While at times preachy, the film's emphasis on environmental destruction is especially hard-hitting when there's a cute polar bear cub on the screen in front of you.

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Indie spotlight

'Darling Companion'
Beth (Diane Keaton) fills the hole where her neglectful husband (Kevin Kline) used to be with a rescue dog that she lavishes gifts and attention on — until said husband manages to lose the dog.

COURTESY OF SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

▶ Diane Keaton and Richard Jenkins co-star in "Darling Companion."

'Jesus Henry Christ'
Henry James Hermin is a precociously smart 10-year-old who vows to find the sperm donor who contributed to his conception in a Petrie dish. Henry's feminist mom (Toni Colette) finds herself begrudgingly along for the ride.

'Marley'
Kevin MacDonald directed "Last King of Scotland," so when the award-winning director turns his attention to a Bob Marley documentary, it's obviously going to go way beyond the "every little thing's gonna be all right" aspect of the late reggae legend. So while this doc comes out on 4/20, the world's biggest stoner holiday, be warned that it doesn't exactly have an irie ending. Spoiler alert: He dies.

'Goodbye, First Love'
This sweet, critically lauded French film tells the story on a young girl who falls in love at 14 and reconnects with her old flame after he spends eight years traveling the world.

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COUNTRY WEDDING (SVEITABRUOKAUP) (NR) **Sun** 2:00
INGALÓ (NR) **Fri** 8:30
JAR CITY (M^RIN) (NR) **Fri** 6:15
LAND AND SONS (LAND OG SYNIR) (NR) **Fri** 2:00
THE LAST FARM IN THE VALLEY (SÍÐASTI BÆRINN Í DALNUM) (NR) **Sun** 12:00
NOI THE ALBINO (NOI ALBINOI) (PG-13) **Sat** 3:45
RAINBOW'S END (I HJARA VERALDAR) (NR) **Fri** 4:00
REYKJAVÍK-ROTTERDAM (NR) **Sun** 4:15
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BLUE LIKE JAZZ (PG-13) 10:00, 12:35, 7:05,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
BULLY (PG-13) **Fri** 10:10, 1:00, 3:50, 6:30, 9:20, 12:00,C INDEPENDENT; **Sat** 10:10-1:00-3:50-6:30-9:20,C INDEPENDENT; **Sun** 10:10-1:00-3:50-6:30-9:20-11:50,C INDEPENDENT
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:45, 10:25, 1:00. ETX: Enhanced Theatre Experience; **Fri** and **Sat** 10:25-12:10-1:05-3:45-6:25-9:05-9:45-11:45-12:20. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 2:25-5:05-7:45-10:25. ETX: Enhanced Theatre Experience; **Sun** 10:25-12:10-1:05-3:45-6:25-9:05-9:45-11:40. Digital Presentation
DETENTION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 3:05, 9:25, 12:35,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation; **Sun** 3:05-9:25,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
DR. SEUSS' THE LORAX 3D (PG) **Fri** 8:50, 11:25. RealD 3D; **Sat** and **Sun** 2:05-7:50. RealD 3D
FETIH 1453 (NR) 3:20, 9:55,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
FOREIGNNESS (NR) 11:15, 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:35. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:15, 12:20, 1:45, 2:45, 3:45, 5:15, 6:15, 7:15, 8:45, 10:45, 12:15. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:15-12:20-1:45-2:45-3:45-5:15-6:15-7:15-8:45-10:45. Digital Presentation
JOHN CARTER IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG-13) **Fri** 5:35. RealD 3D; **Sat** and **Sun** 10:55-4:35-10:20. RealD 3D
THE LADY (R) 11:55, 6:20,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
LIFE LOVE SOUL (PG) 11:35, 2:30, 5:20, 8:15, 11:05,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 11:00, 1:55, 4:45, 7:40, 10:30. Digital Presentation
MURDER CAPITAL OF THE WORLD (NR) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:00, 12:20, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15, 12:40. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:00-12:20-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:15. Digital Presentation
MY WAY (MAI WEI) (R) 12:55, 4:30, 7:55, 11:20,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
A SIMPLE LIFE (TAO JIE) (NR) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:05, 3:00, 6:05, 9:00, 12:05,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation; **Sun** 12:05-3:00-6:05-9:00-11:55,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:05, 10:50, 11:40, 12:30, 1:10, 2:00, 2:50, 3:40, 4:20, 5:10, 6:00, 6:50, 7:30, 8:20, 9:10, 10:00, 10:40, 11:30, 12:25, 1:00. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:05-11:40-12:30-1:10-2:00-2:50-3:40-4:20-5:10-6:00-6:50-7:30-8:20-9:10-10:00-10:40-11:30. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:45, 12:15, 1:30, 2:50, 4:05, 5:25, 6:40, 8:00, 9:15, 10:35, 11:50. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:45-12:15-1:30-2:50-4:05-5:25-6:40-8:00-9:15-10:35-11:45. Digital Presentation
VICKY DONOR (NR) 12:25, 3:55, 7:35, 11:10. Digital Presentation
WOMAN THOU ART LOOSED: ON THE 7TH DAY (PG-13) 12:05, 2:55, 5:45, 8:30, 11:15,C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 2:40. Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:00, 5:30, 8:10, 10:55, 12:30. RealD 3D; **Sun** 12:00-5:30-8:10-10:55. RealD 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS: AN IMAX 3D EXPERIENCE (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:30, 1:15, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30, 12:10. IMAX 3D; **Sun** 10:30-1:15-4:00-6:45-9:30-12:00. IMAX 3D

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21 JUMP STREET (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:35, 1:05, 3:45, 6:20, 9:00, 11:35. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:20-12:55-3:30-6:00-8:35-9:00-11:10. Digital Presentation
AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:00, 12:30, 3:10, 5:50, 8:30, 11:10, 12:00. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:00-12:30-3:10-5:50-8:30-11:10. Digital Presentation
BULLY (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:10, 1:40, 4:10, 6:40, 9:00,C INDEPENDENT; **Sun** 11:10-1:40-4:10-6:40,C INDEPENDENT
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) **Fri** 10:10, 12:35, 2:55, 5:15, 7:25, 9:50, 11:20, 12:05. Digital Presentation; **Sat** 10:10-12:35-2:55-5:15-7:25-9:50-11:20. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:10-12:35-2:55-5:15-7:25-9:50. Digital Presentation
CHIMPANZEE (G) **Fri** 7:35, 10:00. Digital Presentation; **Sat** and **Sun** 3:00-5:15-7:35-10:00. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) 10:00, 10:50, 1:00, 1:55, 4:05, 5:00, 7:10, 8:10, 10:25, 11:20. Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) 10:20, 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 11:00. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) **Fri** 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:25, 3:05, 4:10, 5:40, 7:00, 8:15, 9:30, 10:50, 11:50. Digital Presentation; **Sat** 10:00-11:00-12:30-1:25-3:05-4:00-5:40-7:00-8:15-9:30-10:50-11:50. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:00-11:00-12:30-1:25-3:05-4:00-5:40-7:00-8:15-9:30-10:50. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:40, 1:30, 4:20, 7:15, 10:10, 11:45. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:40-1:30-4:20-7:15-10:10. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30. Digital Presentation; **Fri** and **Sat** 10:00-12:15-2:30-4:45-7:10-9:30. CC-Closed Captions;Digital Presentation
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) 11:00, 3:00, 7:00, 11:00. RealD 3D
TITANIC: AN IMAX 3D EXPERIENCE (NR) 10:00, 2:00, 6:15, 10:20. IMAX 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 2:10. Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:40, 4:35, 7:05, 9:30, 11:55. RealD 3D; **Sun** 11:40-4:35-7:05-9:30. RealD 3D

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AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:10, 2:10, 3:30, 4:50, 7:40, 9:00, 10:35, 11:40; **Sun** 11:10-2:10-3:30-4:50-7:40-9:00-10:35.
DARLING COMPANION (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:10, 8:10, 9:50, 10:50, 12:30; **Sun** 11:30-12:30-2:00-3:00-4:30-5:30-7:10-8:10-9:50-10:50.
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:15, 1:10, 2:15, 4:20, 5:20, 7:30, 8:30, 10:40, 11:40; **Sun** 11:15-1:10-2:15-4:20-5:20-7:30-8:30-10:40.
JEFF, WHO LIVES AT HOME (R) 3:10, 8:20
THE LADY (R) 12:00, 5:20, 10:30
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 11:00, 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30
THE RAID: REDEMPTION (SERBUAN MAUT) (R) 12:20, 2:50, 5:40, 8:15, 11:00
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:50, 2:20, 4:55, 7:20, 10:00, 12:20; **Sun** 11:50-2:20-4:55-7:20-10:00.
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:20, 12:50, 3:40, 5:00, 7:50, 9:10, 12:00. RealD 3D; **Sun** 11:20-12:50-3:40-5:00-7:50-9:10. RealD 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 12:05, 5:25, 10:25
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 2:40, 8:00, 12:50. RealD 3D; **Sun** 2:40-8:00. RealD 3D

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AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:50, 2:40, 5:40, 8:20, 11:05. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 11:50-2:40-5:40-8:20-11:00. Digital Presentation
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) 10:20, 12:45, 3:10, 5:35, 8:00, 10:30. Digital Presentation
CHIMPANZEE (G) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:20, 11:20. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:30-12:45-2:45-5:00-7:15-9:20. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:20, 3:00, 6:10, 7:40, 9:30, 11:00. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 11:20-3:00-6:10-7:40-9:30-10:50. Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:40, 1:20, 3:50, 6:20, 8:50, 11:30. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:40-1:20-3:50-6:20-8:50-11:10. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:10, 11:30, 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 5:30, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:40. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:10-11:30-1:00-2:30-4:00-5:30-7:00-8:30-10:00-11:15. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:40, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40, 12:00. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 11:40-2:20-4:50-7:20-9:40. Digital Presentation
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AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:55, 1:50, 4:50, 7:55, 10:50, 12:15. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:55-1:50-4:50-7:55-10:50. Digital Presentation
BULLY (PG-13) 11:00, 1:40, 4:30, 7:15, 10:05,C INDEPENDENT

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21 JUMP STREET (R) 11:15, 12:15, 2:00, 3:00, 4:45, 5:40, 7:20, 8:20, 10:00, 11:00, 12:40. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
AMERICAN REUNION (R) 11:00, 12:00, 1:35, 2:35, 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 8:10, 9:45, 10:55, 12:30. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
CHIMPANZEE (G) 11:45, 12:45, 1:50, 2:50, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30, 9:30, 10:40, 11:40. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
LOCKOUT (PG-13) 11:05, 12:05, 1:25, 2:25, 3:50, 4:50, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 9:55, 11:30, 12:20. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) 11:10, 12:10, 1:40, 2:40, 4:10, 5:10, 6:40, 7:40, 9:15, 10:15, 11:50, 12:45. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
THE RAID: REDEMPTION (SERBUAN MAUT) (R) **Fri** 12:30, 2:55, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Sat** 5:30-8:00-10:30.; **Sun** 12:30-2:55-5:30-8:00-10:30.
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) 11:00, 3:05, 7:10, 11:15. RPX;RealD 3D; 12:20-4:40-8:50. RealD 3D

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21 JUMP STREET (R) **Fri** 1:25, 4:05, 6:40, 9:30, 12:05
AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 1:55, 4:45, 7:25, 10:10, 12:05; **Sun** 1:55-4:45-7:25-10:10.
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:25, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00, 12:15; **Sun** 12:25-2:50-5:10-7:30-10:00.
CHIMPANZEE (G) 12:30, 2:30, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 1:00, 4:20, 7:40, 10:50, 11:45; **Sun** 1:00-4:20-7:40-10:50.
LOCKOUT (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:05, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40, 12:00; **Sun** 12:05-2:25-4:50-7:10-9:40.
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:55, 12:00; **Sun** 12:30-3:00-5:30-8:00-10:55.
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 3:50, 9:25
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:15, 12:10; **Sun** 1:40-4:30-7:20-10:15.
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** 2:35, 4:55, 7:15, 9:50; **Fri** 12:00. OC-Open Caption; **Sat** 12:00-4:55-7:15-9:50.; **Sat** 2:35. OC-Open Caption; **Sun** 12:00-9:50. OC-Open Caption; **Sun** 2:35-4:55-7:15.
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) 12:10, 4:10, 8:10. RealD 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) 1:00, 6:50. RealD 3D

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21 JUMP STREET (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; **Sun** 4:30-7:15-9:45.
BULLY (PG-13) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 2:15, 5:30, 9:00. Digital Projection; **Sun** 2:30-5:45-9:00. Digital Projection
THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 12:00
ROYAL OPERA HOUSE'S RIGOLETTO (NR) **Sun** 11:00

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CHIMPANZEE (G) 11:00, 1:30, 3:40, 5:55, 8:00, 10:00. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) 11:55, 3:25, 7:00, 10:30. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) **Fri** 11:10, 1:50. Digital Presentation
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 10:35, 1:10, 3:50. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:45, 11:45, 1:45, 2:45, 4:45, 5:45, 6:45, 7:45, 8:45, 9:45, 10:45, 11:30. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:45-11:45-1:45-2:45-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:45-9:45-10:45. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:40, 11:00. Digital Presentation; **Sat** and **Sun** 10:45-1:15-3:45-6:15-8:40-11:00. Digital Presentation
WOMAN THOU ART LOOSED: ON THE 7TH DAY (PG-13) 11:00, 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:45.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 11:50. Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) 2:40, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45. RealD 3D

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21 JUMP STREET (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 1:35, 4:10, 7:45, 10:35. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 11:00-1:35-4:10-7:45-10:20. Digital Presentation
AMERICAN REUNION (R) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:40, 1:45, 4:25, 7:20, 10:30. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:40-1:45-4:25-7:20-10:10. Digital Presentation
CHIMPANZEE (G) **Fri** 10:30, 12:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:35. Digital Presentation; **Sat** 10:30-12:45-2:55-7:30-9:35. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 10:30-12:45-2:55-5:15-7:30-9:35. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) 11:10, 2:40, 6:10, 9:30. Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:00, 12:20, 3:15, 5:40, 8:10, 10:45. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 12:20-3:15-5:40-8:10-10:30. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 10:00, 12:55, 3:50, 7:00, 10:10, 11:35. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 12:55-3:50-7:00-10:10. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:05, 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 1:30-4:00-6:30-9:00. Digital Presentation

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THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45. Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) 10:30, 1:00, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:30. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) **Fri** and **Sat** 11:15, 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 4:15, 5:15, 7:45, 8:45, 10:15, 11:15. Digital Presentation; **Sun** 11:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-7:45-8:45-10:15-11:15. Digital Presentation

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Our cities are going green in more ways than one Some tackle greenhouse gases, while others use alternative energy

THE SECRET OF BLOOMING CITIES

En route to something sustainable: New York's High Line, an old elevated railway line converted to a park, is an example of turning urban space into a green eden.

Ah, picture an idyllic scene: windmills whirling majestically, young mothers and fathers riding their bikes, their small children in seats behind them.

Welcome to Copenhagen, 2012 A.D. "Green has gone mainstream, and cities are making a big effort to become greener," says Sascha Haselmayer, general director of Living Labs, an urban innovation organization. "Some are just painting the sidewalks green, metaphorically speaking, but others, like Copenhagen, are making huge changes. Today there's much more money for green investments than there was just 20 years ago."

Large engineering firms like Siemens now have entire departments working on green city projects, and city spending on 'greenification' is projected to increase further as urbanization continues.

"Hundreds of mayors are thinking about how to go green, and they're taking real steps," explains Dr. David Satterthwaite, an urban living expert at the London-based International Institute for Environment and Development. "But adapting to climate change will require a whole staircase."

While cities like Copenhagen and Eindhoven focus on reducing — even eliminating — greenhouse gas emissions, other cities' greening efforts focus on issues like waste and public transport. Birmingham, U.K., for example, plans to turn all its food waste into energy, while the Swedish city of Malmo uses residents' waste to power its buses.

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In Brazil, the city of Curitiba has reduced waste by 70 percent and built a new mass transit system at little expense. Hamburg and Stockholm, meanwhile, are in the midst of ultra-ambitious, multi-year greening initiatives. Yet other cities encourage residents to grow food, even setting aside space in public parks for urban hobby farmers.

"Greening isn't happening everywhere, and it's not just a matter of money," says Haselmayer. "In a country like Sweden, residents want to go green, so the government reacts to that. In a country like Spain, where I live, the government teaches residents to think green."

While some of the green fever is a response to global warming, green has also become so trendy that cities use their initiatives as a competitive advantage.

"There are 557,000 mayors in the world," notes Haselmayer. "When they wake up in the morning, they have to answer the questions, 'Why should anyone live in my city, and why should anyone invest here?' In a way, globalization is forcing them to act."

But pious living at home isn't enough. "You can live very comfortably in a city, riding your bike and emitting close to zero greenhouse gases," says Satterthwaite. "But you undermine all your efforts if you take a plane to India during your vacation."

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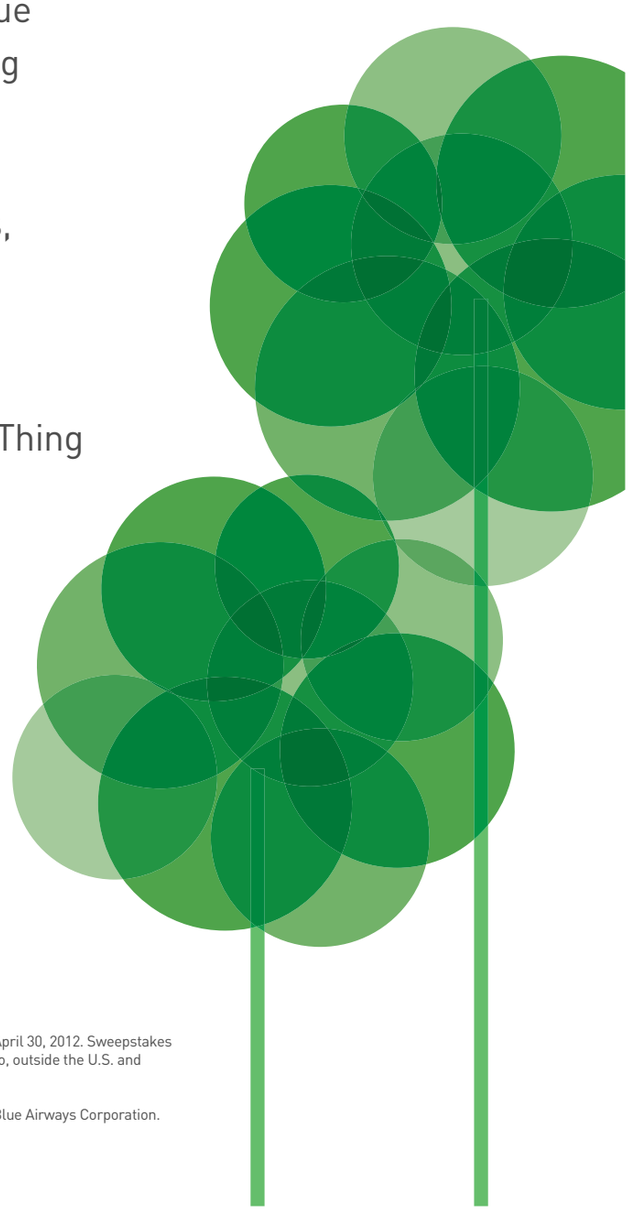

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Turning poo into power

Sewage is a new, infinite source of energy ▶ More and more water companies are using sewage energy to treat wastewater ▶ India, China, Africa are leapfrogging the rest of the world in turning human waste into energy

In Didcot, some 80 kilometers outside of London, an ordinary-looking power plant heats 200 homes — with human excrement. 'Poo power' creates energy from sewage.

"Sewage arrives in our treatment plants, and it takes energy to treat it." explains Rupert Kruger, head of innovation at Thames Water, which operates the plant. "What's new is that we use the sewage to create energy. We now have 10 plants that create energy from sewage — enough for 15,000 households."

Welcome to the new world of energy, where pee, poo and dishwater replace oil and nuclear power. The energy is generated when bacteria break down the organic matter in wastewater. "Sewage contains more energy than previously thought," says Elizabeth Heidrich, a biologist at Newcastle University and lead author of a new study on sewage energy. "It doesn't have as much energy as oil, but we produce so much of it that it's a good source of power."

Because humans always need to use the loo, sewage an infinite source of power. More and more water companies are using sewage energy to treat wastewater, which represents some 2 percent of a country's energy consumption.

Somewhat unexpectedly, the developing world is setting the pace. "The West insists on removing the contaminants from human waste," notes Kartik Chandran, a professor of environmental engineering at Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Science. "That's stupid; the contaminants help turning sewage into energy. As a result, India, China and Africa are leapfrogging the West in turning waste into energy."

Buildings are already creating their own energy through human waste; in the future, cities will have their own waste-to-energy plants, predicts Chadran. "Turning human waste into energy is an ideal solution for cities, especially since more people are moving there," he says. "You could turn the whole slum of Mumbai into a biorefinery."

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▶ Cheap energy doesn't smell bad. This big pool of poo in Didcot provides enough energy to heat 200 houses.

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"Sewage doesn't have as much energy as oil, but we produce so much of it that it's a good source of power."

ELIZABETH HEIDRICH, A BIOLOGIST AT NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY

Energy directly from the bathroom

Soon households will be able to generate energy — right on their own bathrooms. Michael Hoffmann, a professor of engineering at the California Institute of Technology, funded by the Gates Foundation, has invented a toilet that automatically breaks down human waste. The portable toilet, designed for developing countries where human excrement spreads diseases, immediately turns the human waste into energy for the household. And the toilet itself doesn't consume any energy — it's powered by the sun.

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How it works

1. Sewage — anything that goes down the drain in sinks, toilets and showers — arrives at a 'poo power' plant.
2. It's separated into solids and liquids.
3. The solids, essentially sludge, create methane and hydrogen, which is turned into energy. The energy is used the same way as other energy sources.
4. They can also create vehicle fuels, chemicals and fertilizer. The sewage sludge can also be dried into pellets, which function the same way as woodchips or fertilizer.
5. The liquids are either cleaned up for discharge reuse for non-potable water supply or irrigation.

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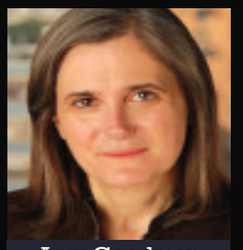
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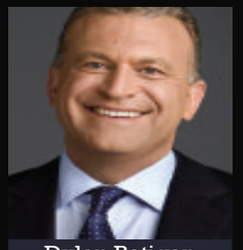
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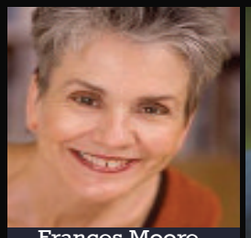
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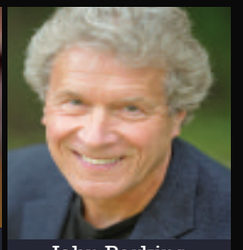
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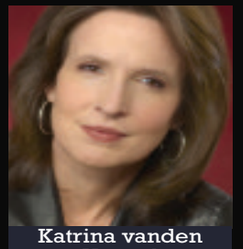
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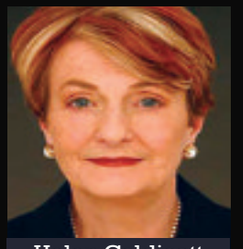
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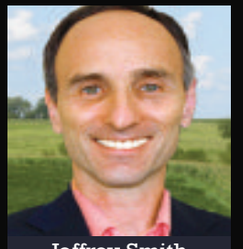
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Artists hope their lyrics shape action

Musicians for Earth Day want to inspire change
Hoping to help save the planet through inspiring words or philosophies
Performances planned for outside Grand Central Terminal this Saturday

FlyinFisch reminds fans that "skipping a rock off of a pond creates a ripple effect."

Annie and the Beekeepers is based in Brooklyn.

These activists are getting in tune with Earth Day.

As part of Earth Day New York, a concert this Saturday at Grand Central features bands that want to use their music to encourage people to save and protect the Earth.

Many of the bands proclaim lyrics or philosophies about treating the planet well and focus on making positive impacts on the world.

Patrick Ermlich, a music organizer from The Outlet Collective, said that they carefully chose the bands for that reason — not only to showcase New York's music scene, but to highlight "inspiring change and taking action — the common threads that bind each artist together."

For example, New York City-based hip-hop group Kinetics & One Love focuses on global warming in some of their music. Their song "The High Line" honors the city's High Line, transformed from abandoned train tracks to an elevated park and walkway where New Yorkers can walk, read and relax.

And the Whispering Tree, a duo who are a vegan and a vegetarian, say they believe "a song can effect more change than a thousand politicians."

Members of PushMethod, which is performing Saturday, said that for Earth Day, they want to raise awareness for developing better energy sources.

"You could also call it 'human day,' for it's really the future and fate of the human race we're fighting for," Michael Dustin Youree of PushMethod said. "We need a healthy planet in order to have a healthy human race."

And FlyinFisch, another scheduled performer, said that they try to use music to encourage people to help the planet.

"We want people to have fun and enjoy the possibilities of life, and an integral part of this means we must focus and make sure our one and only home, Earth, is healthy and happy too," lead singer and songwriter Adrian Fischer said.

Fischer added, "It's easy to lose sight of the impact that even the smallest positive action can make."k

Schedule of bands performing

- Nightmare River Band, 11-11:30 a.m.
- Conveyor, 11:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m.
- Annie and the Beekeepers, 12:20-12:50 p.m.
- Flyin Fisch, 1:10-1:40 p.m.
- The Whispering Tree, 2-2:30 p.m.
- PushMethod, 2:40-3:10 p.m.
- Kinetics & One Love, 3:20-3:50 p.m.

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- **Saturday, April 21**
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PushMethod hopes to challenge the status quo.

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The LARGEST greenhouse

- Sunset Park will host world's biggest greenhouse, which will feed up to 5,000 New Yorkers
- Produce will include tomatoes, lettuce and herbs

▶ BrightFarms says that, once completed, their greenhouse on top of a Sunset Park warehouse building will be the largest in the world.

New York City will soon be home to the largest rooftop greenhouse in the world.

City officials announced earlier this month that a greenhouse will be constructed on top of Liberty View Industrial Plaza, an eight-story warehouse building in Sunset Park that towers above the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway.

BrightFarms, the Manhattan-based company that is building the greenhouse, hopes their garden will cultivate more than just fresh veggies: They want to build a new national model for growing local produce around the nation.

The multi-acre farm will be constructed on 100,000 square feet of rooftop space and will grow up to 1 million pounds of local produce each year, according to the company, including tomatoes, lettuces and herbs.

The farm is scheduled to open in the first quarter of 2013, a BrightFarms spokesperson said, and the company is working to identify a supermarket to purchase the produce.

Jonathan Bowles, director of the Center for an Urban Future, said he thinks the BrightFarms project could help New York lead the world when it comes to reusing things and spaces, like buildings rooftops.

"That's been one of the great strengths over the last few years, managing to take existing buildings and turn them into something else," he said. "Here we have a great example of taking a rooftop and harnessing it for the environment."

He added, "It's just been impressive how much we've seen New York reuse existing spaces for growth … I think it's going to really help get the domino effect going."

BrightFarms has built another rooftop greenhouse out on Long Island, in Huntington, N.Y. There, they have partnered with a local supermarket that has agreed to purchase their produce.

The project is one part of Mayor Michael Bloomberg's larger vision for a revitalized Brooklyn waterfront.

Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz praised the rooftop greenhouse, saying that it sets "an example for the nation on how to embrace rooftop urban agriculture."

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Other green ventures

School gardens
Earth Day New York has partnered with inner-city schools to help students grow their own gardens inside their classrooms. Through the Earth Day Organic Indoor Learning Program, a pilot program that has so far reached more than 100 schools in New York City, children learn to garden through containers provided to classrooms. The containers are equipped with potting soil and seed starter trays. They cost about $320 and can be donated by an individual contributing the cash, or by schools raising funds.

Gotham Greens
A greenhouse located on the rooftop of a Greenpoint building, Gotham Greens began harvesting in June of 2011. The greenhouse is fully enclosed to protect the crops, which include produce like lettuce and basil.

Brooklyn Grange
The Grange is an organic farm located on city rooftops that grows vegetables to sell both to local New Yorkers and businesses. Their first farm is in Long Island City, and they're hoping to add others to more rooftops.

▶ Children learn to plant and harvest their own veggies through Earth Day New York's in-school garden program.

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Teacher's green machine tackles Bronx poverty

Urban farm project not only grows produce on rooftops, it gets homeless kids off the streets, too Founder calls it 'a ticket to the middle class'

The Bronx was once known as a deprived area, populated by families without easy access to high-grade food. No longer. An enthusiastic schoolteacher is working with others to turn the borough into a center of urban farming.

"We use underutilized urban spaces like parking lots and abandoned buildings," says Stephen Ritz, founder of the Green Bronx Machine. "Urban gardening is edible, successful, profitable and replicable."

Ritz, a special education teacher in the South Bronx, started the Green Bronx Machine 10 years ago as a way of teaching his students useful skills. Since then Ritz and his army of young urban farmers have produced more than 11 tons of vegetables. "It's phenomenally easy," says Ritz. "We take over abandoned spaces and grow vegetables on walls and rooftops. By growing crops vertically, you need very little soil and water."

Quoted

"We grow fruit and vegetables, using no fossil fuels, while helping people get healthy and creating jobs for underprivileged youths." RITZ

For Ritz, the motivation is getting his students — including some of whom are homeless — onto a successful path in life. They work on the urban farms, learning job skills applicable in many sectors, while eating healthy and staying out of trouble. Since the launch of the program, the attendance rate among Ritz's students has jumped from 40 to 93 percent. "This is a ticket to the middle class," notes Ritz. The Green Bronx Machine provides teens with paid after-school jobs.

Vertical farming presents a huge opportunity.

"It's a way of producing more food per square meter", explains Michel Pimbert, director of Sustainable Agriculture, Biodiversity and Livelihoods at the International Institute for Environment and Development. "And it's the most useful in cities. In order to reduce our carbon footprint, cities will have to produce food again."

Steve Ritz's students now sport slimmer waistlines, and soon other New Yorkers will do the same: The Green Bronx Machine is expanding.

For new urban farmers Ritz particularly recommends tomatoes, eggplant, mint and broccoli. His favorite crop? "Organic citizens."

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▶ Our tomatoes are this big! Stephen Ritz has every right to brag about his project.

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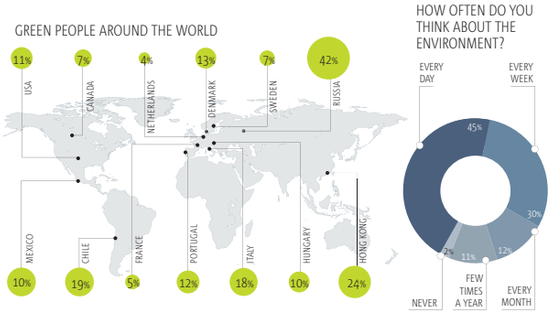
1. Every year we waste 55 trillion gallons of car fuel due to one factor. What is it?
A Burning fuel in reverse
B Friction
C Running the engine while stuck in traffic
D Driving the car at 60 mph, as opposed to 50 mph.
Answer: B: Friction loss — energy spent in overcoming resistance in wheels, engine, gearbox and in braking — reportedly amounts for one-third of a car's fuel consumption.

2. A cyclist traveling at 13 mph uses how much energy compared to a fuel-powered car?
A 1 percent
B 3 percent
C 5 percent
D 10 percent
Answer: B: 3 percent. The energy efficiency of a modern petrol engine ranges from about 23 percent. Humans use their body's fuel far more efficiently.

3. How many 60-watt light bulbs could you power with a miniturbine on your rooftop?
A 1
B 15
C 30
D 50
Answer: A: 1. Assuming a wind speed of 20 feet per second and a blade diameter of 3.28 feet, the power would be 50 watts – a measly 1.3 kilowatt-hours per day.

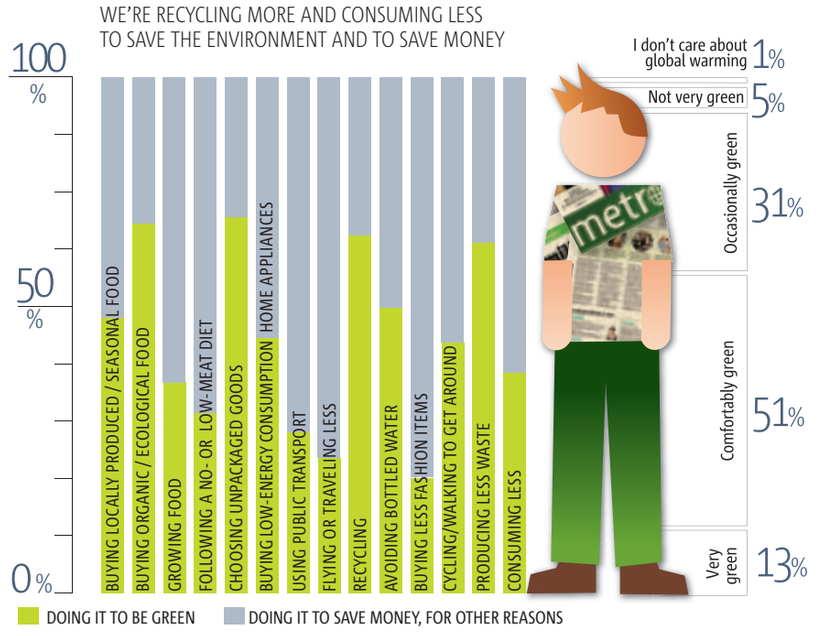
4. Which uses less water, washing a full load of dishes by hand, or in the dishwasher?
A By hand
B Dishwasher
Answer: B: Handwashing dishes can use up to 50 percent more water than a water-saving, energy-efficient dishwasher.

5. The energy saved by unplugging a phone charged from a socket for a day is the equivalent energy used driving a car for:
A One second
B One minute
C Half an hour
D An hour
Answer: A: One second – modern phone chargers, when left plugged in with no phone attached, use about 0.01 kilowatts per-hour per-day. Energy saved in switching off the charger for one year is equal to the energy present in a single hot bath.



GETTING ECO-THRIFTY

We asked Metro readers worldwide how much 'thinking green' plays a role in their daily lives.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How to score

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- **If you got 3 correct:** You throw out trash but still leave the lights on.
- **If you got 4 correct:** You're eco-friendly, but are you eco-friends with nature?
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You're not doing a Ph.D. in green technologies, by any chance?

ANTHONY JOHNSTON

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5 GADGETS FOR GREEN GEEKS

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Gadgets from Gizoo

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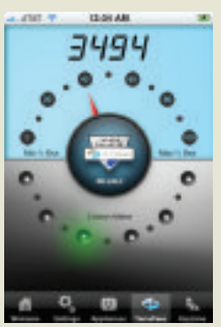

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12:00pm	Earth Day 2012 Press Conference
1:00pm	Music from Ecole International de New York and Michael Dustin
2:00pm	Artist Erwin Dazelle hosts an art activity for youth
4:30pm	Broadway performance: *Sistas*
5:30pm	The Children's Acting Company of NYC: *Glee* and *Dear Edwina*
Friday 4/20:	**Exhibits 10am–7pm**
10:15am	Toshiba Student Panel hosted by Mario Armstrong
11:10 am	STEM Education Panel moderated by Robin Raskin
12:15pm	Mario Armstrong's "Dream, Create, GO" Road Show
1:30pm	Interactive presentation from 3D Systems and activities from *Peter and The Star Catcher*, and a live performance from *WICKED*
Saturday 4/21:	**Exhibits 10am–5pm**
11:30am	Earth Day stories with Barefoot Books
12:30pm	Middle School 88 musical performance and presentations
1:30pm	Earth Worm Disco with ShirLaLa
2:30pm	Food & Nutrition Panel

Grand Central Outdoors . . . on Vanderbilt Ave (VA)

Friday 4/20:	**Exhibits 12pm–7pm** Featuring exhibits and green food vendors
Saturday 4/21:	**Exhibits and Live Concert 11am–4pm** Nightmare River Band, Conveyor, Annie and the Bee Keepers, FlyinFisch, The Whispering Tree, Push Method, Kinetics & One Love

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Friday 4/20:	**Exhibits 11am–5pm** Featuring exhibits and giveaways from Bridgestone, Home Depot, Enterprise Rent-A-Car
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Tribeca. Party circuit

▶ Mrs. Krasinski knows how to bring the glam.

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An English Rose in New York

The ever-charming and adorable Emily Blunt attended the premiere of her film "The Five-Year Engagement" at the Tribeca Film Festival Wednesday night. METRO

You can't not like this guy

But actor Chris Messina is equally good at playing the scuzzballs and the softies

Chris Messina has been branded as a decent, stand-up guy. He doesn't like this at all.

"After 'Julie and Julia,' [casting directors] wanted me to be nice," he says. "They wanted me to tell my girlfriend or wife that their cooking was great and that everything would be all right. That was a great movie experience and I am certainly grateful for it, but I don't want to play that guy for the rest of my career."

Too bad for Messina that he is a nice guy in real life. He just can't help it. Not many people we've interviewed have shown an interest in where we're from and what kind of beat we cover, after all. But the 38-year-old is still aces at playing a slimeball, which he perfects with his damaged character in "Fairhaven." The film, which he co-wrote with co-star, director and old friend, Tom O'Brien, premieres at this year's Tribeca Film Festival on Friday night.

COURTESY OF THE TRIBECA FILM FESTIVAL

▶ From left to right, Tom O'Brien, Chris Messina and Rich Sommer shoot a scene on the set of "Fairhaven."

In the film, he's an old, estranged friend to Jon (O'Brien), a lost soul trying to find the meaning of his life. Messina's character, Dave, is more into the cocaine-and-hookers kind of thing, but underneath lies a wounded man.

For Messina, the real joy of the project was working with his close friend, with whom he'd been knocking around this film idea ever since they first met in the mid-90s at the All Seasons Theater Company here in New York.

"With any movie that you do, you just take a leap of faith if you don't know the filmmaker," Messina says. "The great thing about working with people whom you have a long history with is that with Tom, he knows all my problems. He knows how to diffuse them or use them. He knows what will get me excited and what will get me angry. We've already skipped all these steps. We have a common goal and we're OK with pushing each other."

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On bringing 'Fairhaven' to Tribeca:

"I love Tribeca. I'm from Long Island. I remember when the Tribeca Film Festival started, going down to see movies. And you know, [there is] my love of Robert De Niro, of course, not only as an actor but for what he's done for Tribeca and New York. To be a part of it is really cool. It's a great festival."

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HAIL TO THE 'VEEP'

The less-than-flattering moments of our 'perfect' politicians are examined in the new HBO comedy
Star Tony Hale is a member of the vice president's dysfunctional staff who will do anything for his boss

Tony Hale's latest role finds him in an unhealthy, codependent relationship with a domineering woman. He is neurotic, but smart. And we're not even referring to Hale's reprisal of Buster Bluth on the new episodes of "Arrested Development" slated to hit Netflix next year.

Before he straps on Buster's prosthetic hand (bit off by a seal, fans of "Arrested" will recall), Hale appears as another loveable loser: Gary Walsh, the personal aide to vice president of the United States Selina Meyer (Julia Louis-Dreyfus), on HBO's new political satire "Veep." (Armando Iannucci, the man behind the razor-sharp political commentary, "In the Loop," created the show.)

"With Buster's social anxiety, if he were placed in Gary's situation, he would be committed [to a mental institution]," Hale says. Meanwhile, we learn through the sitcom's documentary style that Gary thrives under pressure, ready at a moment's notice with whatever his boss may need — be it a conversational factoid on the politicians she may be chatting with or hand sanitizer.

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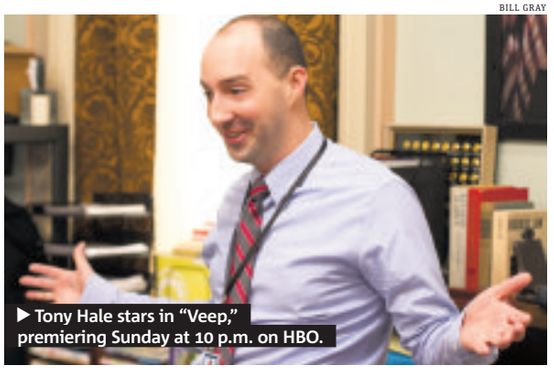

▶ Tony Hale stars in "Veep," premiering Sunday at 10 p.m. on HBO.

"Gary is very, very efficient," Hale says. "He carries around this bag with all of Selina's stuff, everything from an extra pair of shoes for her to, if needed, a letter of resignation."

That letter of resignation would be for Selina, Hale clarifies, because without his job, Gary would be lost.

"If somebody were to come up to him and say, 'You're fired,' I think he would fall apart," Hale says. "He's a guy who should have left his job in his 20s, but the fact of the matter is his identity is wrapped around Selina. He pretty much worships her. I have a feeling that his mother has been carried over into Selina, so I'm sure there are a lot of childhood wounds that are being played out."

Mama Bluth would be so proud.

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Politicians are humans, too

Behind closed doors, Vice President Selina Meyers and her team behave badly — very badly. But the more preposterous the situation they find themselves in, Hale hypothesizes, the more truthful it seems.

"Especially in this election year, there's so much posturing [on the campaign trail], there are so many perfect sound bites. There's so much presentation, and one person cannot be that positive and mechanical and perfect all the time," he says. "They have to have a breakdown; they have to go behind the scenes and scream at somebody or lose their mind or get insecure, cry or whatever, and I love that this show shows that. It shows Selina putting on her happy face — and then she goes behind the scenes and just screams at the top of her lungs. It shows their humanity."

TV watch list

'Fox's 25th Anniversary Special'

SPECIAL. Fox looks back on the highs ("The Simpsons") and the lows ("The Swan") of the last 25 years in broadcast. But mostly the highs.
Sunday, 8 p.m., Fox

'The Real Housewives of New Jersey'

REALITY. Bravo tells us Season 4 of this ladies-behaving-badly staple features "a shocking ultimatum" — as if anything these ladies do is surprising anymore.
Season premiere, Sunday, 10 p.m., Bravo

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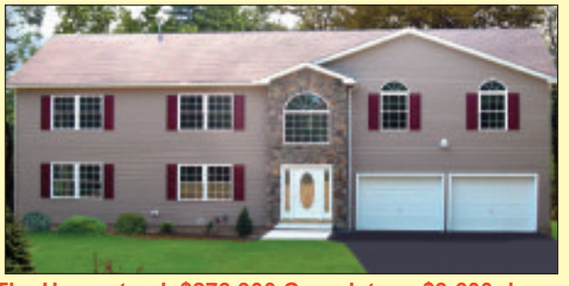

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The feed ...

▶ **Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.**

Today, Victoria Beckham is on the road again, Leonard Nimoy is gaining new fans, Sarah Silverman is aware of a few problems and Steve Martin is having fun with vocabulary.

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On route to China!!!! Excited!!!!

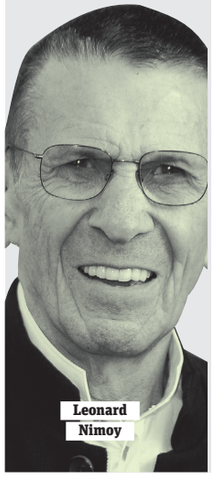
@TheRealNimoy
So many people discovering the original Star Trek series. Warms my Vulcan heart.

@SarahKSilverman
Couple thoughts: genocide is happening in Sudan & I'm tired lately.

@SteveMartinToGo
Home now, relaxing by the window, looking up "defenestration."

@JoelMadden
I love that the @Orioles are sitting in 1st place right now. It makes me happy. Go O's.

@questlove
damn. Levon Helm of The Band. Class Act all the way. made me feel like i was inventing the wheel when i was still a minion. RIP.


Leonard Nimoy

THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Vanessa Lachey on pregnancy, Nick

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▶ Lachey is encouraging everyone to save energy by only using cold water in their washing machines for Earth Day.

Vanessa Lachey is a very dutiful pregnant woman, saying she's "only gotten better" as she's entered her second trimester.

Really? She doesn't miss, say, Scotch?

"Honestly, when people have drinks around me, the smell makes me want to vomit. I haven't even missed coffee too much. I feel like you are giving up these things for a great reason," she told us about her pregnancy while promoting "Take a Load Off" day on behalf of P&G Future Friendly and Tide Coldwater, which is encouraging the public to only wash their clothing in cold water this Earth Day to save on energy costs.

However, this very pregnant columnist called shenanigans on Mrs. Lachey, as, come on, there has to be one complaint. (Vomiting? Swollen ankles? Give us something here, Vanessa!) And only after a little badgering from yours truly did she fess up to one complaint.

"Fatigue hit me hard," she finally admitted. "Sometimes I'll hit the couch for two or three hours and feel like I have to apologize to **Nick**, like: 'I'm sorry I'm so lazy!'"

Vanessa Lachey is a better pregnant lady than I. Two hours on the couch is my exercise for the day — but it only counts as exercise if I keep my eyes open the entire time.

Is the bodyguard the dad to Blanket?

Michael Jackson's former bodyguard, **Matt Fiddes**, claims the late singer's youngest child is actually his biological son — and he's willing to prove it. Fiddes says Jackson even told him the truth after baby **Blanket** was born. "I sat there and asked the question, 'Is Blanket my child?'" Fiddes tells the Daily Star. "He said, 'He's my child, Matt, but I used your sperm to produce him.'" Standing in his way, though, is Michael's mother, **Katherine Jackson**, who has sole custody of the child. "Katherine's worried we will come after the estate and will tell the kids the truth," Fiddes says. "But to me the truth is the big issue, and that's why I want to take it further. I'm a self-made man, I don't want or need their money. All I want is access, if he's my child, to take him out and spend some time together."

Who is Blanket's daddy?

Carey Mulligan will tie the knot this weekend

Carey Mulligan and musician **Marcus Mumford** are reportedly getting married this weekend during a ceremony in the English countryside, according to Radar Online. "Carey and Marcus are counting down the days till they tie the knot. She is absolutely walking on air and can hardly contain her excitement," a source says. "They don't care that some of their friends think they are rushing things." The couple have been engaged for nine months and dating for about a year, though they first got to know each other as pen pals when they were teenagers. "It's going to be an amazing weekend as they will be surrounded by their closest family and friends," the source says. "It's a dream come true for Carey."

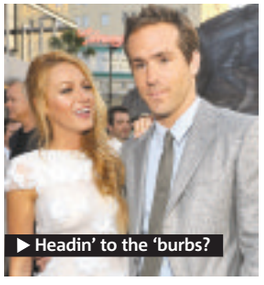
Talking points

A romantic getaway for Brad and Angie

Brad Pitt and **Angelina Jolie** know how to celebrate a happy occasion. The newly engaged couple reportedly packed up their family and took a private jet to Ecuador, then a luxury yacht to the Galapagos Islands, where they're vacationing at the Royal Palm Hotel, according to People magazine. "We were informed that they arrived at the airport in Baltra yesterday," a source says. "Then they made their way over to a villa in the Galapagos Islands." Pitt apparently popped the question at Christmas after spending a year working on the design of the engagement ring.

A move to the 'burbs?

Though they've only been dating six months, **Blake Lively** and **Ryan Reynolds** are reportedly ready to settle down in the suburbs, according to Us Weekly. The two actors "have been looking around different areas of Connecticut," a source claims, citing a recent trip the pair took to the posh suburb of New Canaan to sightsee. "They love getting out of the city and appreciate a slower pace." Another source says that moving in together is the next logical step, given how close they've become. "Ryan is practically living with her already," the source says. "When he's at her apartment, it feels like home."


▶ Headin' to the 'burbs?

Madonna needs to be a stricter mom

Madonna admits she may need to enforce some stricter parenting measures at home after a photo was published of 15-year-old daughter **Lourdes** smoking a cigarette. "I think I need to be, maybe, tougher," she says during an interview with the "Today" show. "I'm probably not as tough as I should be." It probably doesn't help that Madonna herself is seen smoking in her latest music video.

The photo of Clyde Frazier and Dr. Ruth is the perfect start to your weekend

1: Diane Keaton and a rescued dog up for adoption attended the Los Angeles premiere of "Darling Companion" at American Cinematheque's Egyptian Theatre on Tuesday in Hollywood.

2: Selena Gomez could look a little more enthused by boyfriend **Justin Bieber**'s kissy face at a basketball game between the San Antonio Spurs and the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday in Los Angeles.

3: Former pro skateboarder and MMA fighter **Jason Ellis** signed copies of his new book "I'm Awesome" at Bookends Bookstore in Ridgewood, N.J., on Tuesday.

4: Former professional basketball player/sportscaster **Walter "Clyde" Frazier** and sex therapist **Dr. Ruth Westheimer** attended the 2012 Tom Ridge Homeland Security awards at the Grand Hyatt on Tuesday in New York City.

5: Chris Martin of Coldplay opened their North American tour on Tuesday in Edmonton, Canada.

6: Looking like an anorexic Zach Galifianakis, **Jason Priestley** was spotted sporting a jaunty beard and neck scarf on Wednesday in Paris, France.

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▶ Faye Driscoll and Jesse Zarritt star in "You're Me," playing through Saturday at The Kitchen.

Faye Driscoll's "You're Me" mashes up acts of love and fear, beginning with the tropes and trappings of a wedding and devolving into utter chaos.

Driscoll and Jesse Zaritt, covered in costume scraps and ornaments, perch on white platforms, presiding over the arrival of their audience. Flowers adorn the aisle, attendants serve fruit, and elastic straps demarcate a small triangle on the sacred space of the stage.

In silence for the first half hour, the pair — she a gangly gal in a Dutch-boy haircut, he a muscular lad with a mop of dark curls, both in T-shirts and snug jeggings — experiment with tentative caresses, jumping awkwardly and with palpable embarrassment from preening display to full-on embraces.

They pose like classical statues, play at "dog and master"; they even dance a little, partnering in various formal ways. But most of the 80-minute work involves the expression of all kinds of confusion and pain, from gender blur to full-on violence. Powdered pigment stands in for blood, a tangle of thick yarn for disemboweled guts. They weep and sigh; she shrieks and moans in what might be pleasure. Wielding cans of spray-paint, they tag each other in intimate ways. Chris Giarmo's music amplifies the emotional charge of the escalating encounter.

The apparently adolescent couple practice being adults, applying symbols of sexual maturity like beards and bras to each other, but they soon revert to the unfettered play of childhood, peeling and eating the oranges that moments before have represented balls and breasts. Your response to this will depend on your tolerance for high levels of mess. We loved it.

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Songs danced by the living and the dead

ROSALIE O'CONNOR

▶ The Ballet Hispanico program includes "Nube Blanco." The company is at the Joyce through April 29.

Understanding Spanish is not a prerequisite for enjoying Ballet Hispanico, but it sure helps. All the dances on Program A are set to songs in Spanish by Latin American favorites including Susana Baca (performing live with a terrific quartet), Maria Dolores Pradera and Celia Cruz.

Three years ago founder Tina Ramirez retired and was replaced by former company member Eduardo Vilaro, who went on to become the founding artistic director of Chicago's Luna Negra. He brought several dancers back with him, and the technical level of the 12-person troupe is strong.

Choreography runs the gamut from sweet and silly (Annabelle Lopez Ochoa's "Nube Blanco") to serious (Ronald K. Brown's ponderous new "Espiritu Vivo"). Vilaro's own "Asuka," made in collaboration with the company, uses scratchy recordings of Cuban radio to set the scene through a seductive series of social-dance variations. "Asuka" is ingratiating; the dancers are performing for your entertainment and satisfaction. It's similar to when Jessica Alejandra Wyatt appears in a puff of crinolines in "Nube Blanco," a string of visual jokes comes together in a powerful climax.

Brown's new piece, on the other hand, explores the stages of grief. Costumes mostly conceal the dancers' bodies and the lighting leaves you struggling to make out the choreography. Grounded in African traditions and exhibiting familiar Brown tropes like drifty, dreamy processionals and sudden whirling jumps propelled by puffed-out chests, "Espiritu Vivo" really shows us the spirits of the dead with men resembling red ghosts in hoodies and loose trousers. It finally brightens — but perhaps too little, too late.

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Part of the 'Society'

Esperanza Spalding is a team player But the singer admits she, too, may have dissed anyone who bested Bieber if she were a teen

Esperanza Spalding isn't about being a lone star. Above all, the jazz singer and bassist prizes playing with other musicians and sharing the experience. That includes her special performance of Louis Armstrong's "What a Wonderful World" at the 2012 Oscars in February, too.

"It certainly was special, but one aspect of that was it was a surprise. I went just to play bass. It was supposed to be a collective effort that Hans Zimmer imagined," says Spalding of the musical director. "We wanted it to be everyone just playing together. The camera didn't show that, but that's what I signed up for. Then I was asked to sing with the children's choir. That was such a small part. I had played bass all night in the orchestra with these wonderful musicians," the Brooklyn-based artist says.

Spalding's team-player attitude spreads to her spring tour for her fourth album, "Radio Music Society," when her band includes almost a dozen players. Still, it was her Oscar solo spot that gave her big buzz.

"It was really great exposure for me," she admits. " It was great to be a part of it. I got to hang with Billy Crystal. He did an amazing job hosting; he totally nailed that singing part. He's awesome."

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▶ Esperanza Spalding doesn't blame you for what you wrote on her Wikipedia page.

Beliebers, you are all FORGIVEN

Another awards show where Spalding "got noticed" was the 2011 Grammy Awards when she beat favored winner Justin Bieber for Best New Artist. Beliebers in turn hijacked her Wikipedia page and wrote snotty comments in ALL CAPS. But Spalding brushes that off as done with.

"Ah, no one got hurt. It was fine. I'm sure when I was younger there was someone who was my world and I would have been upset like that," she says.

Who? She thinks and thinks, but she's got nada.

"I suppose I was just always into music. I would obsessively go from artist to artist. But I never had posters on my wall. I never had a crush like that."

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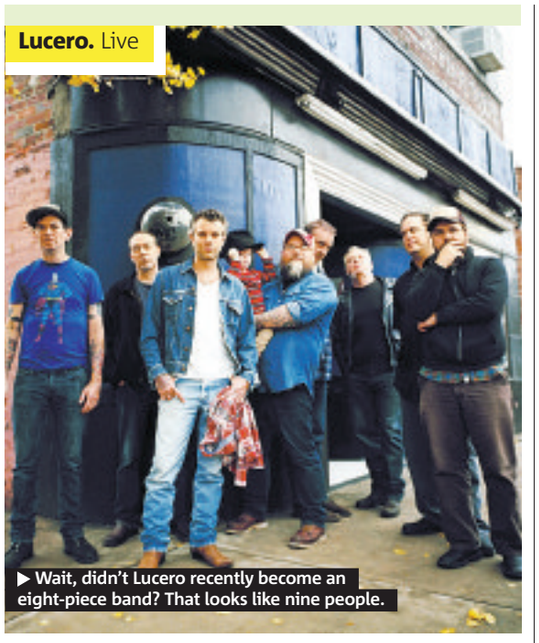

▶ Wait, didn't Lucero recently become an eight-piece band? That looks like nine people.

Lucero recently doubled in size from a four-piece to an eight-piece, to create a big band, honky-tonk, Memphis-soul kind of sound. "I'm having more fun playing now than I ever have before, and that is mainly because of the guys I'm playing music with." says lead singer Ben Nichols. On Friday at 6:30 p.m., Lucero play Webster Hall (125 East 11th Street).

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Our rushed city lifestyles often allow for only a quick shower to start or end our day. But for those who can carve out some relaxation time, a mineral bath not only cleanses the surface of the body, but also works wonders far beneath the skin.

Kim Rossi is the spa director at Gideon Putnam Resort's Roosevelt Baths & Spa, located in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. The region is home to the East Coast's only naturally carbonated mineral waters. Native Americans believed that the spring water here was stirred by the god Manitou, which gave it healing properties. The baths are named for President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who was a major proponent of the waters' healing abilities; he both commissioned and dedicated the opening of the bathhouses.

"Bathing in the waters accelerates the body's natural ability for healing, and as a preventive care boosts the immune system," Rossi says. "Regular bathing can balance the endocrine system and the central nervous system."

Going for a mineral dip is also a great way to recharge and rejuvenate your body.

"The water content naturally increases blood circulation and cell oxygenation," she says. "So even though you're deeply relaxed, the heart is pumping as if you're on a brisk walk."

The waters are also said to promote feelings of well-being (thanks to all the negative ions present), flush out toxins, nourish your tissues and vital organs and improve infections. In addition to bathing in it, you can also drink the water (it tastes kind of like seltzer) to take advantage of its health properties.

To reap the benefits of a mineral bath, Rossi recommends one once a week. However, if you're not regularly able to take advantage of the Roosevelt Baths & Spa, you can create a similar experience at home by adding two cups of Epsom salts and some aromatherapy oils to your next suds session.

▶ In its early years, the Gideon Putnam Resort hosted high-profile guests like Cary Grant and Bob Hope. For relaxing treatments closer to home, check out $50 Spa Week specials at www.spaweek.com.

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More info

At the Roosevelt Baths & Spa at Gideon Putnam Resort, you can soak a private bath for 20 minutes before a spa treatment or for 40 minutes as an individual treatment.

- Each bath is drawn for you upon your arrival. When your experience is over, you can take advantage of warm towels, showers and a relaxing lounge in which to rest.
- The baths are part of the 120-room Gideon Putnam resort, a national historic landmark hotel nestled in Saratoga State Park.

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Letters

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War is hell; let's work to avoid it

The prospect of war with Iran is frightening. So is the prospect of a nuclear armed Iran. That's why I was so encouraged that the United States was among the world powers taking part in diplomatic talks with Iran on April 13 and 14. Diplomacy is the single most effective way to avert those two bad outcomes. With continued talks scheduled in May, I encourage our members of Congress to support diplomacy with Iran, not pass new legislation that could sabotage it.
JAN-PAUL ALON, VIA E-MAIL

Military spending is class warfare

The U.S. is depriving its people of advanced country benefits and is now headed toward bankruptcy because of wars and outrageous military spending. Does the U.S. really need to spend more on military than the next one hundred highest spending countries combined and, is it necessary to have a military presence in 150 foreign countries? The public has been led to believe that the purpose of the military budget is to equip a military for defensive purposes. The fact is that a good part of it goes for such things as golf courses, hunting lodges, and luxurious officer quarters on naval vessels. The better part of the $650 billion this year will be redistributed upward in the form of profits to military contractors. War and fear of war has always been profitable for some. President Eisenhower understood this.
LEWIS WALSH, VIA E-MAIL

"If you want to see an economy with no government regulation or investment, go to Somalia!"

RE: "CALVIN AND HOBBES VOTE REPUBLICAN": Anyone who thinks that government spending doesn't generate private sector jobs has never lived near a military base. From the Erie Canal (which made New York the No. 1 economic powerhouse in the East) to modern military spending (Internet and cell phones!) smart government investment has generated whole industries and millions of private sector jobs. If you want to see an economy with no government regulation or investment, go to Somalia!
KATHY KOURIAN, VIA E-MAIL

Republican hypocrisy never ceases to amaze me. Igor Mannikus is all up in arms about the Democratic plan for putting everyone on the "governments teets", yet he and his fellow Tea Party Republicans are usually first in line to suck on one of the biggest governmental teets: i.e. subsidies. The GOP prevented up to $167 million in cuts in direct payments to farmers, including some of the nation's wealthiest (21 of the Republicans in Congress who voted against the cuts receive $100,000 per year for farm subsidies) which would mean cuts in food aid for low-income mothers and children by $685 million. Republicans in the Senate filibustered the majority's attempt to repeal $21 billion in subsidies for the big five oil companies — the same companies that made more than $30 billion in profits in just the first three months of 2011. Yeah Mr. Mannikus: Open wide.
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Horoscope

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** It's OK to take on a new project as long as it doesn't interfere with what you already have on your plate and you can devote quality time to both.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** You may feel you're ably taking care of something that you promised friends you'd handle, but if it doesn't look that way to them, your pals will feel manipulated.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** In order to achieve an important assignment, you must give the powers that be the impression that you are totally dedicated to doing the job right.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Your associates are likely to have a strong influence on your attitude and performance. If they tend to be negative thinkers, you will be one too. Try to hang out with positive types.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** It doesn't matter if you're managing an important financial matter for another or for yourself, in both instances it must be skillfully handled. Anything less won't suffice.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Be supportive of your mate instead of locking horns. A lack of allegiance may cause your spouse to behave in a poor manner when you need bolstering at a later date.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Nothing constructive will result if you attempt to get others to handle certain responsibilities that are exclusively yours. If you don't want to do these tasks, why should your friends feel differently?
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** It might prove wise to reject being treasurer for your club or a group activity. If you have trouble collecting the funds, you could get blamed for the venture falling apart.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Be as tactful and diplomatic as you can when it comes to handling things for your club. If you're not, you'll catch a lot of heat for being too pushy and assertive.
♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** No matter how hard you try to be purposeful and methodical, certain of your projects might still look like they were handled in a slipshod fashion.
♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Try to make some kind of arrangement to clear up an obligation you have to a friend. Not only will small tokens have a way of adding up, they'll make your pal feel appreciated.
♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Someone who is usually agreeable might do an about-face and could handle things in a manner that would cause problems, just to get even with you for ignoring him or her lately.
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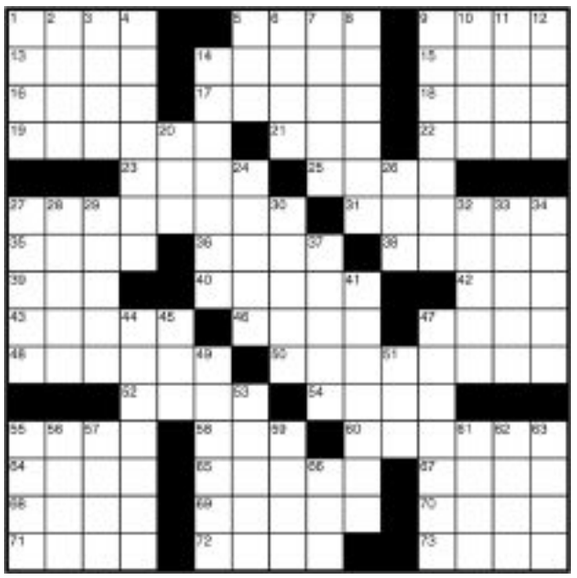

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Solution to Thursday's crossword

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Tortorella showing no signs of panic

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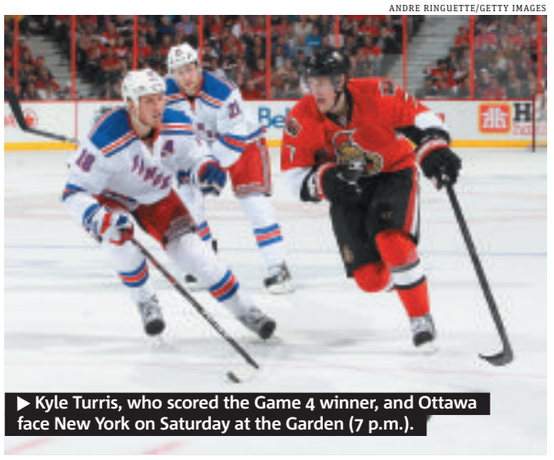

▶ Kyle Turris, who scored the Game 4 winner, and Ottawa face New York on Saturday at the Garden (7 p.m.).

Rangers head coach John Tortorella's message to his team now that their Eastern Conference quarterfinal series is a best-of-three was simple.

"[It is] about finding a way to win," Tortorella said in a mid-afternoon conference call Thursday. The Rangers had the day off. They will practice Friday morning at the Garden. "Go about our business. Just get ready for the next game."

The Rangers and Senators are tied 2-2 after four games. Game 5 is Saturday night at MSG.

Myriad themes have emerged through the first four games. One has been the lack of production from the Rangers' top players. Marian Gaborik and Brad Richards have not scored a goal since Game 1.

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The Rangers are being outshot by 18 in the series, 134-116. The play of goaltender Henrik Lundqvist has kept them even in the series.

Michael Del Zotto only has one point. Derek Stepan and Brandon Dubinsky are scoreless.

The Rangers have been carried by their secondary players. Third-line center Brian Boyle leads the team with three goals and is tied for the team lead with seven points. Anton Stralman leads the team with two power play goals and is tied with Ryan Callahan for the team lead with a plus-two rating.

"Not [going to] name names," Tortorella said. "Secondary players have given us good minutes."

Tortorella was atypically unconcerned after the Game 4 loss, even praising the team's play in the third period.

"[We] did a lot of good things," Tortorella said. "Just didn't get it done in [overtime]."

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Devil of a period

◐ New Jersey pounces on Florida in third period ◐ Stretches tenuous 1-0 lead to 3-0 with two goals in 90 seconds ◐ Series back even again, 2-2

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▶ Captain Zach Parise is congratulated after scoring what would be the eventual game-winner in the second period.

The Devils were unequivocal in saying they had to win Game 4 of the Eastern Conference quarterfinals. Mission accomplished.

New Jersey evened the series at 2-2 by routing the Florida Panthers, 4-0, Thursday night at the Prudential Center. Game 5 is Saturday at the BankAtlantic Center.

The Devils' game plan was simple. Hit anything in a white sweater and eliminate penalties. The Eastern Conference's No. 6 seed had a 2-to-1 margin in hits, 27-13, while limiting the Panthers to 5:40 of man advantage time.

Zach Parise's power-play goal at 6:08 of the second period was the game-winner. Parise shoved Marek Zidlicky's shot, which had ricocheted off teammate Travis Zajac's stick, past Florida starting goaltender Scott Clemmensen. The goal was the second in as many games for Parise. It also ended Clemmensen's shutout streak at 79:52 dating back to Game 3.

Martin Brodeur started in goal for the Devils as he and DeBoer said he would after being pulled early in Game 3. Brodeur turned away 24 mostly harmless shots to record his 24th career playoff shutout.

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What went right ...

1 Brodeur is back — Martin Brodeur returned to his Hall of Fame form, winning his 101st career playoff game.

2 Put it away — The Devils didn't just score an insurance goal or two in the third period, they ended the game in a 6:30 minute span, scoring three goals in a period for the third time this series.

3 Protecting home — After losing at home in Game 3, another home loss in Game 4 would've likely meant a loss in the series. Not only did they win at home, they sent a message to the Panthers.

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Winners don't reach

Giants talk NFL draft one week before big day GM Reese stresses in press conference it's about 'best player available' Players start workouts

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▶ Mike Tannenbaum, left, with owner Woody Johnson, says he has learned from drafting Vernon Gholston.

Jets learning from mistake

Two words make Jets fans queasy when they think about the NFL draft and the prospects of how their team will use the No. 16 pick next Thursday: Vernon Gholston.

Gholston, the sixth overall pick in the 2008 NFL draft, was the greatest bust to hit a franchise with some notorious misses in the draft.

General manager Mike Tannenbaum was candid about the mistake in the team's predraft press conference Thursday.

"We all make mistakes. We're going to learn from ours," Tannenbaum said. "There [were] a lot of things we liked about Vernon, [such as] his measurables, his production. Obviously, it didn't work out. Why it didn't? We've looked at that quite a bit.

"From where I sit in the world, it's most important that we learn from it and obviously do everything we can so it doesn't happen again."

The Jets have been linked to drafting along the defensive line or outside linebacker. With the memory of Gholston still fresh, personnel consultant Terry Bradway isn't afraid to draft another outside linebacker.

"I think that's a position we've been looking at. We've got two players in Calvin Pace and Bryan Thomas back and we feel good about both of those guys. We'd just like to add a little depth," Bradway said. "When you look at it, I think seven of the eight outside linebackers on our board were all college defensive ends." **KRISTIAN DYER**

The Giants began voluntary workouts this week, sans coaches, but that doesn't mean the front office is on hiatus.

As the NFL draft nears, general manager Jerry Reese has been hard at work trying to fill in holes via free agency while also figuring out which incoming rookies will best help the team. Reese said no matter what position of strength a unit may have, the best available player will be a Giant — even a quarterback.

"Without a doubt, the best guy available will get picked, even quarterback," Reese said, joking that should a franchise quarterback be there at pick No. 32, it'll be a no-brainer. "If Andrew Luck is down there you don't think we'd pick him?"

Reaching for a player just because they fill a position of need is not something the Giants do, according to Reese.

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▶ Jerry Reese and the Giants hold steadfast to the "best player available" mantra.

"If there is a really good player at No. 32, regardless of position, we'll draft him — other than kicker of punter of course," Reese said. "The bottom of the first round or the top of the second round is pretty much the same player on our board."

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Champs go back to work

The defending champions went back to work this week with voluntary workouts and to a man they're not willing to revel in the past.

Michael Boley, who earned his first Super Bowl ring last season, already has competition at his spot when the Giants traded for fellow weakside linebacker Keith Rivers last week. Jerry Reese said Boley might move to the middle.

"I'm just trying to work hard, [but] it was a little bit of a surprise [to hear Reese's statement]," Boley said. "Anything can happen. … But if I had to, I can play anything to keep my job." **METRO/TW**

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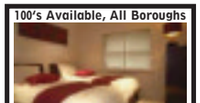

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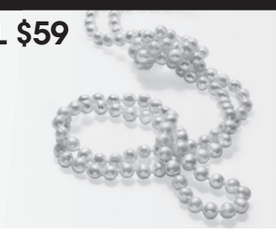

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